



# Pine Rivers Inline Hockey Club

## Code of Conduct

**All Members and their Parents** including Coaches, Managers, Referees and Committee members will conduct themselves in accordance with the following Codes of Conduct, as agreed on their signed Application for Membership Form:

### Players

**Players** are:

- i) to play by the peak body rules of in-line hockey;
- ii) never to argue with officials
- iii) never to verbally or otherwise abuse Game Officials, Referees, Coaches, Managers or other team members
- iv) not to swear on or off the rink;
- v) not to exhibit behaviour that is illegal, disruptive of team harmony, or likely to cause offence to coaches, managers, parents, team members or members of the general public;
- vi) if under eighteen (18) years of age, not to consume alcohol
- vii) not to play hockey under the influence of alcohol, recreational drugs or performance-enhancing drugs;
- viii) to practice good sportsmanship;
- ix) to co-operate with Officials, Coaches, Managers and other team members;
- x) to understand that tournaments are an opportunity for players to improve their hockey skills and not an opportunity to misbehave
- xi) to play not only to win but for fun.

### Coaches

**Coaches** are:

- i) never to ridicule or yell at a player for making a mistake or losing;
- ii) to be reasonable in demands on player's time energy and enthusiasm;
- ii) to teach players to follow the rules;
- iv) not to coach hockey under the influence of alcohol, recreational drugs or performance-enhancing drugs
- v) to, whenever possible, group players to ensure that everyone has a reasonable chance of success;
- vi) to ensure that equipment and facilities meet safety standards and are appropriate for the age and ability of players;
- vii) to develop team respect for the judgement of officials;
- viii) to follow the advice of physician when determining when a player is injured;
- ix) to keep up to date with the latest coaching practices.

### Officials

**Officials** are:

- i) to ensure that the rules and regulations match the skill levels and needs of players;
- ii) to compliment and encourage all players;
- iii) to be consistent, objective and courteous when making decisions;
- iv) not to officiate hockey games under the influence of alcohol, recreational drugs or performance-enhancing drugs
- v) to condemn unsportsmanlike behaviour from all participants in in-line hockey
- vi) to be a good sport themselves;
- vii) to be up to date with the latest developments;
- viii) to set a positive example.

### Parents

**Parents** are:

- i) to remember that children play for their enjoyment;
- ii) to encourage children to play, and not force them;
- iii) not to attend hockey games under the influence of alcohol, recreational drugs or performance-enhancing drugs;
- iv) to focus on their child's efforts rather than winning or losing;
- v) never to ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake;
- vi) to applaud good plays on both teams;
- vii) to support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from the sport;
- viii) to respect the decisions of officials and teach the players to do likewise;
- ix) to show appreciation of the efforts of volunteers.

### Spectators

**Spectators** are:

- i) to applaud good performances and efforts of each team;
- ii) to respect the decisions of officials and teach the players to do the same;
- iii) to condemn the use of violence in any form, by spectators, officials or players;
- iv) to encourage the players to follow the rules